

REMARKS

Claims 98-196 are pending in this application. Claim 98 has been amended to recite the limitations of previous claim 122. Claim 122 has been amended rather than canceled. Claim 101 has been amended to clarify the invention. Support for the amendment is found in paragraph 21. Claim 109 was amended to recite a portion of the processes, wherein the other portion of the processes is recited in new claim 197. New claims 198 and 199 recite selected abrasives listed in dependent claim 107.

A Terminal Disclaimer is included with this filing in order to overcome the objections of the Examiner.

A number of claims were canceled for economic reasons that are not related to patentability. In particular, claims 119, 120, 150, and independent claim 154 were canceled. A number of multiply dependent claims depending in part from claim 154 were subsequently amended to correct dependency. Claims 129 and 171 were canceled - the catalyst is attached to the abrasive, and is not solubilized. Claim 143 was amended, and new claim 200 is presented, to eliminate the multiple dependency of claim 143.

New independent claim 201 is claim 121 written in independent form, where the negative limitation excluding Group 4(b), Group 5(b), and Group 6(b) was eliminated as being moot in view of the limitations in claim 121. New independent claim 203 is claim 118 written in independent form.

No new matter has been added by these amendments. Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered, and then that all pending claims in the application be allowed.

The rejections to claims 98-117, 119-120, 125-141, and 143-152 over Mueller in view of Beital, Fang, and Yano are believed to be moot in view of the amendments.

An additional claim fee sheet is included to encompass the charge for one additional independent claim.

No additional fees are believed necessary; however, should the Office deem other fees are required, such fees and/or credits should be charged to Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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